(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) ऐसी तस्करी को रोकने हेतु सरकार क्या-क्या कदम उठा रही है?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मोहम्मद मकबूल डार): (क) जी नहीं, श्रीमान्।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता है।

(ग) भारत-म्यामांर सीमा के साथ-साथ तस्करी की रोकथाम करने के लिए निम्नलिखित कदम उठाए गए हैं:—

(i) नाकाओं और गश्त को बढ़ा कर सतर्कता तेज कर दी गई है; और

(ii) सीमा पर और अधिक चौकसी रखने के लिए दूर्बीनें, धूप के चश्मे, ट्विन टेलिस्कोप, नाईट विजन बाईनोकुलर्स और हैण्ड-हैल्ड-सर्च लाईट्स उपलब्ध कराई गई है।

Schooling of Criminals in U.P.

1260. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a number of criminals do their schooling in petty crimes in the fertile grounds of the Wild West of sprawling Uttar Pradesh and after specialization in kidnapping and murder reach the Capital;

(b) if so, the number of such criminals arrested/liquidated so far by Government and how many of them are still at large; and

(c) the steps taken to arrest them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of House.

Abolition of inhuman and condemnable punishment

1261. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chairman, National Human Rights Commission has written a letter to Government to call for an urgent meeting under the Chairmanship of the Prime Minister to consider the appeal of the UN on the inhuman and condemnable means of punishment;

(b) if so, the details of the appeal of the UN received as such by Government and by when the meeting is likely to be called; and

(c) the details of the inhuman and condemnable means of punishment; and the steps Government propose to take to abolish them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) and (b) No appeal has been received by the Government of India from the UNO on the inhuman and condemnable means of publishment. However, Chairperson, National Human Rights Commission has written a letter requesting for a meeting under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister regarding Convention against Torture and Other Forms of Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment which was adopted by consensus by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 10th December, 1984.

(c) Though there are punishments provided for in Indian Penal Code/Criminal Procedure Code for various kinds of offences, there are, however, no inhuman and condemnable means of punishment under the Indian Laws.

Collection of protection money from truck and bus drivers by Delhi Police

1262. PROF. RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of a thriving organised racket in the collection of protection money from truckers by the officials of the traffic Police in Delhi;

(b) if so, whether Government have come across reports wherein it has been noticed that such proceeds, running into several crores are report to be shared till several rungs up the police hierarchy;